

May 25, 2005

Ronen Perets 810 Devonshire Wy.. Sunnyvale, CA 94087

Subject: Tree Removal Permit - 810 Devonshire Wy., Sunnyvale, CA 94087

File No.: 2005-0464

Dear Ronen Perets:

The Department of Community Development has reviewed your application for a Tree Removal Permit for a Canary Island Date Palm tree located in the front patio area at the above address and has **denied** your request. In order to grant a tree removal permit, at least one of the following findings is necessary: (1) the tree is not healthy, (2) it represents a potential hazard, or (3) it restricts the use of your property or your neighbor's use of their property. Based on an examination of the subject tree, none of these findings can be made.

The Sunnyvale Tree Preservation Ordinance was adopted to protect the diversity of trees in Sunnyvale. Trees are a valuable asset to the community in terms of aesthetics, protection of habitat, and enhancement of economic value of property and may be removed only under the circumstances noted above. The City Arborist indicates that the subject tree is not diseased, damaged, or posing a hazard and has a 30-50 years of remaining life expectancy. He suggests routine pruning to remove the seed pods as an option to reduce the debris that causes concern to you.

You may appeal this decision to the Planning Commission by filing a written appeal within fifteen calendar days of the receipt of this notice. There is a \$110.00 filing fee for the appeal.

If you have questions on tree maintenance, you may consult with the City Arborist, Steve Sukke, at (408) 730-7505. If you have any questions regarding this permit, please contact me at (408) 730-7437. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Associate Planner